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The Council reassembled in the Victoria Jubilee Town Hall at Eleven of the Clock in the forenoon, the President, Thomas Austin Esquire, I. C. S., Barrister-at-Law, Dewan of Travancore, Presiding.

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS.

Construction of a suitable building for the Perumbavur Munsiff's Court.

61. MR. G. NARAYANA AIYAR (*Kunnatnad* cum *Parur*) : (1) Will the Government be pleased to state what steps have been taken by them for the construction of a suitable building for the Perumbavur Munsiff's Court ?

(2) If they have not taken any steps yet, will they be pleased to state whether they intend taking any steps for the same ?

MR. L. H. JACOB (*Ag. Chief Engineer*) : (1) and (2) The Judicial Department has been asked to select a suitable site for the construction of the building in consultation with the Division Officer, Alwaye.

MR. G. NARAYANA AIYAR : May I know from the member whether a plan is sanctioned by the Government for putting up a building ?

MR. L. H. JACOB : No plan has been sanctioned.

MR. G. NARAYANA AIYAR : May I know whether the building in which the court house is situated is insufficient and inconvenient?

MR. L. H. JACOB : I am not aware.

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MR, G. NARAYANA AIYAR : May I know whether the Government will take up the building early next year ?

MR. L. H. JACOB ; Government cannot promise. It depends upon funds.

MR. G. NARAYANA AIYAR : May I know whether the Government are aware that not even a urinal is attached to that building ?

MR. L. H. JACOB : The member has given the information.

MR. M. N. PARAMESVARAN PILLAI (*Municipal Councils*) : May I know whether Government have an idea of constructing a suitable building for the Trivandrum District Court ?

PRESIDENT : That does not arise.

Mr. Hilkiah's interference in the recent elections to the Assembly.

62. MR. P. PADMANABHAN TAMPI (*Kalkulam* cum *Vilavankod*) : (1) Will the Government be pleased to state :

(*a*) whether Mr. C. Japamony was a candidate in the recent Assembly election from the Kalkulam II—General Rural Constituency and that Mr. Japamony had to work against the "abstention movement" ; and

(*b*) whether Mr. Hilkiah was interfering in this election and was almost daily going about the constituency working up an opposition to Mr Japamony ?

(2) will they be pleased to state :

(*a*) whether this action was not against the explicit orders of Government ; and

(*b*) whether their attention has been drawn to the editorial and other articles published in the "Navasakti" pointing out Mr. Hilkiah's interference in the elections ?

MR. N. S. RAMAN PILLAI (*Secretary to Government*) : (1) (*a*) Mr. Japamony was a candidate in the recent election to the Sri Mulam Assembly. Government have no information as to whether he had to work against the 'abstention move ment, and whether there was such a movement at all in the Kalkulam taluk.

(*b*) Government are not aware of it.

(2) (*a*) In view of the answer to 1 (*b*), this does not arise.

(*b*) No.

MR. P. PADMANABHAN TAMPI : May I know whether there was an order from the Government that Mr. Hilkiah should not leave the Trivandrum town during the time of the last election ?

MR. N. S. RAMAN PILLAI : There was no such order.

MR. P. PADMANABHAN TAMPI : May I know whether there was not an order from the departmental head to that effect ?

MR. N. S. RAMAN PILLAI : Government are not aware of such an order issued by the departmental head ?

MR. P. PADMANABHAN TAMPI : May I know whether Government have got a Press Room in the Secretariat ?

MR. N. S. RAMAN PILLAI : Yes.

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